

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15

WHEREAS a proper petition has been filed in my office, signed by more than one-third of the qualified electors residing in that portion of Oconee County, which is bounded on the west and southwest by lands of the United States Government (adjoining Hartwell Reservoir), on the southeast by Anderson County, and on the northeast and north by Pickens County, asking to be allowed to vote upon the proposal of annexing the above described territory to Pickens County; and

WHEREAS a proper petition has been filed in my office, signed by more than 15 per cent of the qualified electors residing in Pickens County requesting that an election within Pickens County be held to determine whether a majority of the electors in Pickens County shall vote in favor of the annexation of the new territory; and

WHEREAS thereupon I appointed commissioners with the powers provided by law, which said commissioners have caused the required survey and certified plats to be made and filed according to law and have made their reports to me in accordance with the requirements of the law; and

WHEREAS upon the foregoing, I find that for the purposes of election upon the question of the said proposed annexation, all of the requirements of the Constitution and Laws of this State have been complied with and none of the prohibitions of the Constitution and Laws have been violated; and

WHEREAS it is mandatory under the laws of this State that within 20 days after receipt of the report of the Commissioners so appointed, an election shall be ordered;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert E. McNair, as Governor of the State of South Carolina, by virtue of the requirements imposed and the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of this State, do hereby order that an election be held in the territory described above, proposed to be annexed to Pickens County, and in Pickens County on the 8th day of November, 1966, upon the question of annexing the said territory to Pickens County, the voting places for said election being hereby designated as the established voting places in the areas concerned; and that at such election the qualified electors, within the area concerned shall be allowed to vote upon the said question of annexation, those voting for such annexation to vote "Yes" and those opposed "No", and that the Commissioners of Election for Oconee County and Pickens County shall appoint three managers for each of the established voting places, not more than two of whom shall be in favor of the proposed annexation or against it, for the purposes of said election and shall deliver to them the books of registration for the said voting places, which the registration officers shall turn over to the commissioners on demand; that such election shall be conducted in the same manner as General Elections in this State and that all persons qualified and entitled to vote under the Constitution and Laws of this State at a General Election shall be entitled to vote at such election; that the Commissioners of Election of Oconee County and Pickens County shall canvass the returns of the managers of said election as such returns in General Elections in this State are canvassed; and shall certify the results thereof in tabulated statement of the vote to the Secretary of State, who shall transmit a tabulated statement of the vote to both branches of the General Assembly at its next session; and that all officers of the area concerned shall duly perform such duties in connection with the said election as the law imposes upon them.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed at Columbia this 8th day of October, 1966.


Robert E. McNair, Governor


O. Frank Hamilton, Secretary of State